

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 91
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A RESOLUTION to honor Mark Brown of Bartlett and his staff on being selected for the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should honor those individuals and offices that have worked diligently to make a difference in their communities; and

WHEREAS, Mark Brown and his staff in the office of the Bartlett Finance Director represent one such estimable group of individuals, having been selected to receive the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award; and

WHEREAS, this award, granted by the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada, is given to municipalities, school districts, and other agencies that prepare budgets that meet the Association's standards as being a policy document, financial plan, operations guide, and communications device; this award is designed to reward finance departments that make an effort to make their budgets more understandable for the public; and

WHEREAS, the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada is a nonprofit professional organization serving 14,000 government finance professionals throughout North America; and

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WHEREAS, the only recipient of this award in Shelby County, Bartlett was one of only 17 Tennessee municipalities to receive this award this year; and

WHEREAS, this also marks the first time that Bartlett has received this award, and Mark Brown and his staff have vowed that it won't be the last time; and

WHEREAS, working assiduously all year long, Mark Brown and his staff take great pains to perfect the Bartlett budget, from the proposals in January to the final vote in June; and

WHEREAS, selfless and modest, the members of the Bartlett Finance Director's office are quick to acknowledge one another, claiming simply, "It's a team effort"; and

WHEREAS, Mark Brown and his staff are dedicated professionals who are working determinedly to improve finances and make budgets more accessible and understandable for citizens of Bartlett; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause in its deliberations to honor them for this well-deserved award; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we congratulate Mark Brown and the other employees in the Bartlett Finance Director's office on being given the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award, and wish them continued success in their every future endeavor.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.